

# REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND SUSTAINABILITY

## Voting Members:

Stanley Chang, Chair; Ann H. Kobayashi, Vice Chair  
Joey Manahan, Ron Menor, Kimberly Marcos Pine

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Committee Meeting Held  
May 21, 2014

Honorable Ernest Y. Martin  
Chair, City Council  
City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Public Works and Sustainability, to which was referred  
Resolution 14-110 entitled:

**"RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO TAKE  
IMMEDIATE AND DECISIVE ACTIONS TO MITIGATE POTENTIAL ADVERSE  
IMPACTS TO GROUNDWATER RESOURCES FROM LEAKS OR SPILLS AT  
THE UNITED STATES NAVY'S RED HILL UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE  
FACILITY,"**

introduced on May 13, 2014, reports as follows:

The purpose of this Resolution is to urge the State Department of Health to take immediate and decisive actions to mitigate potential adverse impacts to groundwater resources from leaks or spills at the United States Navy's Red Hill Underground Fuel Storage Facility.

The Manager of the Honolulu Board of Water Supply, Ernest Y. W. Lau, testified in support of this Resolution. Manager Lau expressed serious concerns about the potential impact of petroleum hydrocarbons on the groundwater aquifer. Manager Lau emphasized the need to monitor leaks or spills from the fuel storage facility.

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The Environmental Health Deputy Director of the State Department of Health, Gary Gill, testified in support of this Resolution. Deputy Director Gill explained that the Department is working closely with the Environmental Protection Agency Region 9 and the Board of Water Supply to develop an enforceable consent agreement with the U.S. Navy.

Your Committee received no testimony from members of the public.

Your Committee received written testimony from the following institutions, organizations, and governmental agencies:

1. Ernest Y. W. Lau, P.E., Manager and Chief Engineer, Honolulu Board of Water Supply in support of this Resolution.
2. Linda Rosen, M.D., M.P.H., Director State Department of Health commenting on this Resolution.

Your Committee on Public Works and Sustainability is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 14-110 and recommends its adoption. (Ayes: Chang, Menor, Pine - 3; Noes: None; Excused: Kobayashi, Manahan - 2.)

Respectfully submitted,

  
Committee Chair

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